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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please enter this Amendment in response to the Office Action of May 9, 2006.

(1) Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

(2) Remarks/arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.